GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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SILT FROM RIVERS OF NEPAL TO BORDER AREAS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether huge quantity of silt with the water of rivers coming down from Nepal to border areas thereby causing heavy damage to Sharda barrage and Suhel barrage;

(b) if so, whether the Government have prepared any action plan to prevent silt; and

(c) if not, the other steps being considered by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c) As per information furnished by Government of Uttar Pradesh, in monsoon season silt is carried by river Sarda at Sarda Barrage and by river Suheli at Suheli barrage in large quantity. As regards to safety of Sarda Barrage and Suheli Barrage, this silt does not pose danger to safety but reduces the internal storage capacity & availability of water in canal system.

It is further informed by the Government of Uttar Pradesh that the provision to reduce the entry of the silt into canal has already been provided in the structure and that from time to time studies are conducted to find out the measures to reduce entry of silt into canals.